GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM
LOK SABHA

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River Island Majuli in World Class Tourist Centre
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Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to enlist "River Island Majuli" in the river Brahmaputra in the Central list of world class tourist centres and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
(b) whether the Government has decided to construct one bridge over the river Brahmaputra connecting Majuli with Jorhat and the Lakhimpur to facilitate tourists; and
(c) if so, the details thereof along with the funds earmarked for construction of the same?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TOURISM (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)
(DR. MAHESH SHARMA)

(a) to (c): The development and promotion of various tourist destinations and tourism products including enlistment as world class tourist centres is primarily the responsibility of the State Governments/UT Administrations. The Ministry of Tourism under its various existing schemes extends Central Financial Assistance for development of Tourism infrastructure to the State Governments/UT Administrations, subject to adherence to the scheme guidelines.

Ministry of Tourism has not received any proposal for construction of bridge over the river Brahamaputra connecting Majuli with Jorhat and Lakhimpur to facilitate tourists.

However, Ministry of Tourism sanctioned a project-Development of Heritage & Eco Tourism Resort at Majuli for an amount of Rs.382.25 lakh to the Government of Assam in the year 2002-2003.
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